Thirtieth Annual Tournament

OF THE

Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association

Under the auspices of the

Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association

Harrisburg, Penna.

June 8, 9, 10 and 11, 1920

Registered by the A. T. A.

State Tournament Registration Certificate

New York, March 15, 1920.

This Certifies that the Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association has been authorized to hold its Annual State Tournament at Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association on June 8, 9, 10 and 11, 1920.

The American Trapshooting Association rules will govern this tournament and the scores on 16-yard targets will be included in the official records.

The American Trapshooting Association has contributed Forty-five dollars in trophies and One hundred dollars in cash to the tournament.

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The management reserves the right to reject any entry.

Professials shoot for targets only.

American trapshooting rules will govern all other points not otherwise covered in this program.

Broken targets if shot at will not be scored whether hit or missed, contestants must shoot at another target.

Every target fairly thrown and in proper time must be accepted by a contestant. This rule will be enforced.

EQUIPMENT OF GROUNDS

Eight (8) Ideal Leggett Traps will be installed, and the traps will be in charge of Mr. Charles North of Chamberlain Cartridge and Target Co. This assures all contestants from long delays, and also fair targets. Targets will not be thrown over 50 yards, and not less than 45 yards, you will have regulation targets to shoot at.

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24 or 25 grains of Ballestite.
24 or 25 grains of Infallible.

PRICE OF TARGETS

The price of targets will be 2½ cents each.

MONEY DIVISIONS

The percentage optionals $1.00 on each event will be divided percentage system as follows: 40%, 30%, 20%, 10%. The management has been requested by a large amount of amateurs to adopt this method of distribution.

The High Gun optional on each event, $1.00 entrance will

be divided, high guns on each event. Three monies for each ten entries or fraction thereof.

The Lewis Class optionals will be divided, High Guns in each class. Four monies to each class, A, B, C, and D. The scores each contestant makes will be arranged in rotation, and the usual Lewis class division will determine the winner's purse.

MONEY DIVISION FOR CLASSIFICATION PURSE ON 480 TARGETS

The classification purse will be divided as follows: Class A will only participate for Class A entrance. Class B will participate in Class B entrance. Class C will participate in Class C entrance. Class D will participate in Class D entrance. Any contestant who enters the classification event is contesting with men in his class, and the entrance money collected will be applied to each class according to the number of entries placed in each class. For example if there are 50 contestants in each Class A, B, C, and D. then there would be an equal amount of money in each Class. The amount of money in each class will be determined by the number of men placed in each Class. The money in each class will be divided, high guns in each class, one (1) money for each five (5) men. For example should there be sixty men in any one class, the money in that particular class would be divided among 12 contestants, the usual high gun method of division. This classification event should be entered by all contestants on the first 480 Registered Targets beginning on Tuesday morning, June 8th, and ending with event 8 on Thursday, June 10th.

CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

The Classification Committee will be selected from the shooters who attend, and the shooters selected will classify the contestants from their known ability and the Official averages as published for 1919. This Committee will be instructed to be fair to each contestant. The Committee who will classify the contestants will not allot their own classification. They will be classified by the Program Committee. When any shooter has been classified in the classification event his classification cannot be changed.

The high gun optionals on any part or all parts of this program where any entrance fee is collected, will be divided as usual three (3) monies for each ten (10) entries or fraction thereof.

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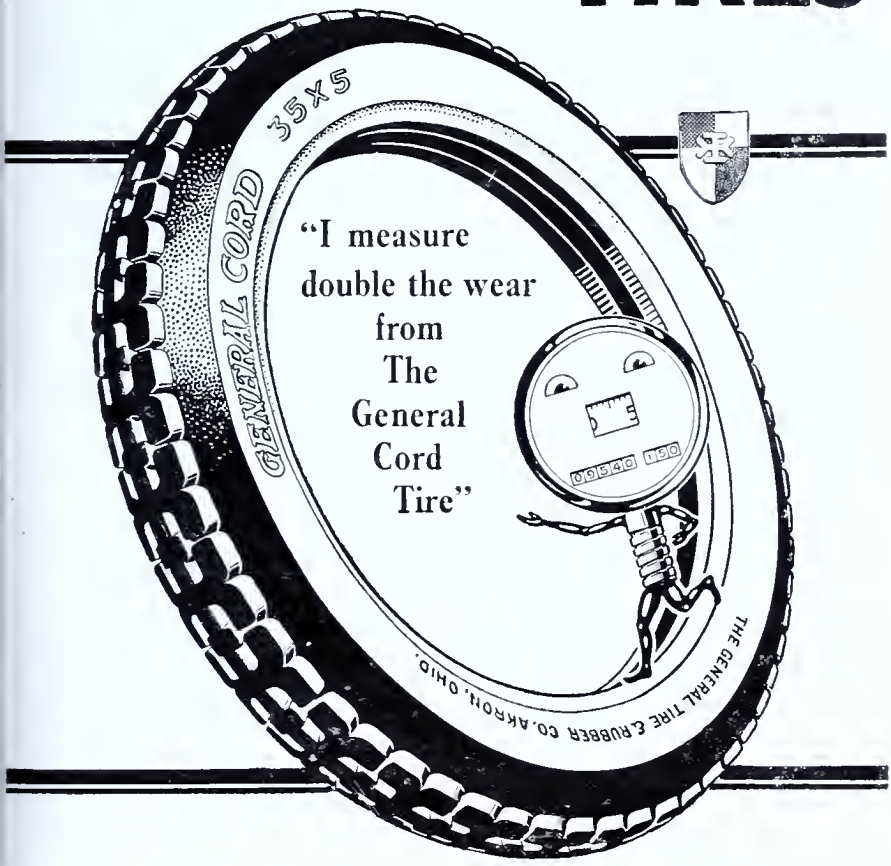

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PENNSYLVANIA STATE TEAM RACES

Events 6, 7, and 8, Tuesday, June 8th, (60 targets) will constitute the Two-men Team State Championship. Contestants must be bona-fide members of the club they represent. A trophy will be given to each member of the winning team.

Events 6, 7, and 8, Wednesday, June 9th, (60 targets) will constitute the Three-men Team State Championship. Contestants must be bona-fide members of the Club they represent. A trophy will be given to each member of the winning team.

Events 6, 7, and 8, on Thursday, June 10th, (60 targets) will constitute the Four-men Team State Championship. Contestants must be bona-fide members of the club they represent. A trophy will be given to each member of the winning team.

An optional entrance fee of $1.00 for each contestant of each team will be charged and all entrance money will be put into a purse, and will be divided as follows: 60% of purse to winning team and 40% to the second high team. This distribution also applies to the Three-men team, and the Four-men team. Any club can shoot as many teams as they choose. Any teams who wish to enter these team races, and do not wish to pay $1.00 entrance, can do so and are eligible to win the trophies. The Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association will furnish suitable trophies for this part of the program.

PENNSYLVANIA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

The American Trapshooting Association, Pennsylvania State Amateur Championship, on 300 registered sixteen (16) yard targets, begins with Event No. 2 on Wednesday, June 9th, and will be concluded on Thursday, June 10th with Event No. 8. The winner or runner up of this event will be eligible to represent the State of Pennsylvania at the Grand American Handicap to be held at Cleveland, Ohio, August 23rd to 28th.

P. S. S. A. AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

The Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association Amateur Championship will be contested for as follows: June 8th 160 targets, June 9th, 160 targets, June 10th, 160 targets, making a total of 480, 16 yard targets. The winner of this event will be declared the P. S. S. A. Champion, and will receive a beautiful trophy donated by the Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association. In addition the winner will receive the Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association Trophy, a large sterling silver loving cup suitably engraved. This trophy is a credit to the P. S. S. A. The Trophy must be won three (3) times for permanent possession. State Association rules to govern.

DOUBLE TARGET CHAMPIONSHIP

The Pennsylvania State Amateur Championship on Double Targets will be shot on Wednesday, June 9th, immediately following the completion of the regular events. The event will be shot at 25 pairs (50) targets. Entrance for Targets $1.25 optional sweep, $2.00 entrance. Money divided high guns three (3) monies for each ten (10) entries or fraction thereof. The winner will be awarded the Pennsylvania Double Target Championship Trophy.

FOR LADY CONTESTANTS

For the lady contestant who competes in the regular events on June 8, 9 and 10th, and is high among the lady contestants on the 480 registered 16-yard targets, will be awarded the Ladies' Pennsylvania State Championship Trophy. Providing she is a bona-fide resident of the State of Pennsylvania.

DIRECTIONS FOR SHIPPING GUNS AND AMMUNITION

Guns and Ammunition shipped prepaid care of the following firms: Harrisburg Hardware Co.; Alexander Kassnar & Co.; Shenk & Tittle, Harrisburg, Pa., will be delivered free of charge on the grounds.

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INVITATION TO ATTEND

The Mayor of the City of Harrisburg extends a cordial invitation to all sportsmen and their families, as well as their friends, to come to Harrisburg, and see the city and surroundings. Harrisburg is a prosperous and growing city, and will welcome you.

The Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce is distributing to our shooter friends under the same cover a very attractive booklet of the city of Harrisburg, and its attractions for visitors, and extends to you all an invitation to attend our annual Pennsylvania State Shoot, and will help to make your stay in Harrisburg pleasant.

NOTICE FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF P. S. S. A.

The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association will be held at the State Capitol, Wednesday evening, June 9th, at 8 P. M. You are expected to attend this annual meeting, as matters of great importance to our Association will be discussed. We urge you to attend this meeting. Bring your Credentials with you, so that your Home Club is properly represented.

If your Club is not in good standing with the P. S. S. A. at present, we urge you to get in touch with Secretary Frederic Godcharles of the P. S. S. A. If your Club does not belong to the P. S. S. A. urge the Club to join at this annual meeting.

Officers will be elected for the coming year. You will find a list of your present P. S. S. A. officers included in this program.

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PROGRAM TUESDAY, JUNE 8TH

All Events Registered

Event.	Targets.	Entrance.	Optional Percentage.	High Gun Optional.
1	20	$.70	$1.00	$1.00
2	20	.70	1.00	1.00
3	20	.70	1.00	1.00
4	20	.70	1.00	1.00
5	20	.70	1.00	1.00
6	20	.70	1.00	1.00
7	20	.70	1.00	1.00
8	20	.70	1.00	1.00
	160	$5.60	$8.00	$8.00

Extra Entrance Lewis Class on 160 Targets, ...$3.00
High Gun Optional on 160 Targets, ... 3.00
High Gun Optional on 480 Targets, ... 5.00
Classification Entrance on 480 Targets A, B. C. D. 5.00
Lewis Class Entrance on 480 Targets, ... 5.00

PROGRAM TUESDAY, JUNE 8TH

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To the Three High Guns in Events Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be awarded $50.00 in gold as follows: First High Gun will receive $25.00; Second High, $15.00; Third High, $10.00. This amount donated by W. H. Wolstencroft of Philadelphia.

Events 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 will be the Harrisburg Hardware Company Special. Through the courtesy of this Company the Club is requested to award $100.00 in cash to this event. To the 7 High Guns will be awarded as follows: First, $25.00; 2d, $20.00; 3d, $15.00; 4th, $10.00; 5th, $10.00; 6th, $10.00; 7th, $10.00.

Lewis Class Trophies on the 160 Targets June 8th. There will be awarded 4 Trophies: One (1) Trophy to each Class, A, B, C and D. The value of these trophies are $25.00 each.

Average money for June 8th on 160 Targets: $200.00 to 10 High Guns; 1st, $30.00; 2nd, $25.00; 3d, $25.00; 4th, $20.00; 5th, $20.00; 6th, $20.00; 7th, $15.00; 8th, $15.00; 9th, $15.00; 10th, $15.00.

To the High Gun on 160 Targets June 8th will be awarded the Penn-Harris Hotel Trophy, donated by the Penn-Harris Hotel.

PROGRAM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9TH

All Events Registered

Event.	Targets.	Entrance.	Optional Percentage.	High Gun Optional.
1	20	$.70	$1.00	$1.00
2	20	.70	1.00	1.00
3	20	.70	1.00	1.00
4	20	.70	1.00	1.00
5	20	.70	1.00	1.00
6	20	.70	1.00	1.00
7	20	.70	1.00	1.00
8	20	.70	1.00	1.00
	160	$5.60	$8.00	$8.00

Extra Entrance Lewis Class on 160 Targets, ...$3.00
High Gun Optional on 160 Targets, ... 3.00
High Gun Optional on Maplewood Hundred, ... 5.00

PROGRAM—WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9TH

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Events 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (100) targets. The high gun on this event will be awarded the Shenk and Tittle Trophy, donated by Shenk and Tittle, Harrisburg, Pa., sporting goods dealers.

MAPLEWOOD HUNDRED GOLD MEDAL

One hundred targets on this program (Events 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8) constitute the Maplewood Hundred. The Winner is eligible to shoot for the Maplewood Hundred Championship Medal and one hundred dollars in gold ($100.00) at Maplewood, N. H., July 3d, 1920. The runner up is eligible if the winner does not attend the Maplewood Tournament. No Shooter will be eligible to win more than one preliminary Medal.

Trophies for Lewis Class Winners on 160 Targets. Four (4) Silver Loving Cups, total value $160.00, will be given to the winners on this day's program. One (1) Cup to high gun in each Class, A, B, C and D, donated by Alexander Kassnar & Company.

Average money on this day's program will be three hundred dollars ($300.00) to be divided to the Ten High Guns as follows: 1st, $50.00; 2d, $45.00; 3d, $35.00; 4th, $30.00; 5th, $30.00; 6th, $25.00; 7th, $25.00; 8th, $20.00; 9th, $20.00; 10th, $20.00.

The High Gun on Program June 9th (160 Targets) will receive the Solid Gold Medal donated by R. T. Gumbert, President of the Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association.

AMERICAN TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION

The Pennsylvania State Amateur Championship on three hundred (300) 16 yard targets will begin with Event No. 2 on June 9th and will end with Event No. 8 on the following day, June 10th. The winner of this event will receive the American Trapshooting Association Trophy valued at $25.00 and carfare and Pullman privileges to the Grand American Handicap to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, on August 23d to 28th. The Runner up will be eligible if the winner fails to attend the G. A. H.

PROGRAM THURSDAY, JUNE 10TH

All Events Registered

Event.	Targets.	Entrance.	Percentage. Optional	Optional. High Gun
1	20	$.70	$1.00	$1.00
2	20	.70	1.00	1.00
3	20	.70	1.00	1.00
3	20	.70	1.00	1.00
4	20	.70	1.00	1.00
5	20	.70	1.00	1.00
6	20	.70	1.00	1.00
7	20	.70	1.00	1.00
8	20	.70	1.00	1.00
	160	$5.60	$8.00	$8.00

Extra Entrance Lewis Class on 160 Targets, ...$3.00
High Gun Optional on 160 Targets, ... 3.00

J. O. H. DENNY EVENT

Events 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 is the J. O. H. Denny Event.

Entrance $2.00. The winner of this event will receive the J. O. H. Denny Trophy, and will not be eligible to win any of the purse. See conditions on opposite page.

ADDED TARGET HANDICAP

Conditions governing the J. O. H. Denny Event—100 Targets. This event will be shot with added Targets, an Entrance Fee of $2.00 will be charged each Contestant and all entrance to this event will go to the purse. No charge for Targets. The Winner of this event will be awarded the J. O. H. Denny Trophy—one (1) Winchester Trap Grade Pump Gun. The purse will be divided among the high gun winners. One money for each 5 entries or fraction thereof. Ties, if any, will shoot off at 25 targets and ¼ their original added targets. The Winner of the Denny Trophy cannot participate in the purse distribution. No contestant to score more than 100 targets. No entrance accepted for this event except those who are shooting the day's program.

CLASSIFICATION TROPHIES

Trophies for Classification Winners on the 480 Targets on June 8, 9 and 10th. The winners in each Class will receive the Amateur Trap Shooter's Association's Trophies, one trophy to each Class, A, B, C and D. In addition to these four trophies, the Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association will award one (1) trophy to each Class to be awarded to the 2nd High Guns in each Class, A, B, C, D, on the 480 targets.

Average money on 3 days' program, June 8, 9 and 10th, 480 targets will be $300.00 to be divided as follows: To the 10 High Guns as follows—1st, $50.00; 2d, $45.00; 3d, $35.00; 4th, $30.00; 5th, $30.00; 6th, $25.00; 7th, $25.00; 8th, $20.00; 9th, $20.00; 10th, $20.00.

LEWIS CLASS TROPHIES JUNE 10TH

The following trophies will be awarded to the Lewis Class winners on 160 Targets June 10th. High Gun in Class A will receive the Isaac Wolstencroft Trophy.

Class B—High gun will receive the John S. Speer Trophy.

Class C—High Gun will receive the West Fairview Gun Club Trophy.

Class D—High gun will receive the Alleman-Neidhamer Trophy.

The S. B. Romberger Sons Co. have donated a beautiful Gold Watch. This trophy will be awarded to the High Gun on 160 Targets June 10th.

PROGRAM FRIDAY, JUNE 11TH

Events Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 Registered

Event.	Targets.	Entrance.	Optional. Percentage.	High Gun Optional.
1	20	$.70	$1.00	$1.00
2	20	.70	1.00	1.00
3	20	.70	1.00	1.00
4	20	.70	1.00	1.00
	80	$2.80	$4.00	$4.00

Lewis Class Optional on 80 Targets, ...$2.00
High Gun Optional on 80 Targets, ... 2.50

PENNSYLVANIA STATE DISTANCE HANDICAP

16 to 22 Yards—Not Registered

5, ... 25
6, ... 25
7, ... 25
8, ... 25
Targets, ...100

Entrance $7.50 Targets included.

PROGRAM—FRIDAY, JUNE 11TH

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The Hon. John M. Phillips Trophy, one (1) 28-gauge, double barrel, Parker Gun and Leather Case, will be given to the High Gun on the 80 Targets, 16 yards rise on Friday morning, June 11th. Through the courtesy of Mr. Phillips this Trophy is donated. The second High Gun will be awarded the Jacob Tausig & Sons Trophy.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE HANDICAP

To 1st High Gun in this event will be awarded the Amateur Trapshooting Association's Trophy. To 2nd High Gun will be awarded the H. C. Claster Trophy. To 3rd High Gun will be awarded a Handsome Trophy donated by a friend of the Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association.

The purse in the Pennsylvania State Handicap will be divided High Guns, three moneys for each ten entries or fraction thereof. The Handicap Committee selected from shooters who attend, will allot handicaps from official averages and known ability. This Committee will not allot their own handicap. These men will be handicapped by the Program Committee.

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Every dispute in a contestant's score must be settled by Mr. Charles A. North, whose decision will be final.

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The hotels of Harrisburg are in better condition to take care of this big event than in years gone by and the Entertainment Committee will plan to keep you and your ladies happily occupied when not "busting clays."

Better plan right now to spend the entire week of June 7 to 12 in the Capital City of Pennsylvania. We are sure you will never regret your visit.

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NOTES

Every day is registered.

The traps will be open for practice Monday afternoon, June 7th.

Trolley and taxi service bring the grounds within a few minutes of City Square.

Excellent meals will be served on the grounds.

Shooting will commence at 9 o'clock sharp each day.

Professionals welcome and will shoot for targets only.

The American Trapshooting Association rules will govern this tournament and the scores will be included in the official records.

Don't forget the Annual Meeting of the P. S. S. A., Wednesday evening June 9th. It will be in the State Capitol.

Ideal Leggett traps and Blue Rocks will be used. Mr Charles A. North will have charge of the traps.

The Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association reserves the right to refuse any entry.

No practice shooting allowed before the regular scheduled events are shot each day.

To retain your position in any particular squad a contestant must make entry, or at least notify the cashier, the day before, of his intention to take part in the following day's events. This rule will be strictly enforced.

The Referee's decision will be final in every case.

This will be the first large Tournament in Pennsylvania where the new Trapshooting plan will be put in operation. Help make it a success by doing your full part, at least give your assistance towards a fair trial. It is expected to put trapshooting on a much higher basis than ever before.

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NON-RESIDENTS WELCOME

The Harrisburg Sportsmen's Association extends a hearty welcome to marksmen residing outside the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. These visitors are privileged to shoot the entire program and can win a daily trophy given for non-resident competitors, these will also be eligible to compete in all sweepstakes and high gun purses, but cannot win the daily or grand average money trophies, nor will they be placed in the classification purses.

These non-residents will be eligible to win the coveted Maplewood Hundred Event.

The non-resident competitors are welcome to enter the Pennsylvania State Distance Handicap on the same basis as Pennsylvania marksmen.

Non-resident may enter the Doubles Championship for "targets only."

A purse will be provided for non-residents on the program of 480 targets, details for which will be explained on the first day of the tournament.

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H. B. SHOOP,

Field Captain.

Harrisburg, Pa.,
May 7th. 1920.

To the Sportsmen of Pennsylvania:

The Program Committee in charge of the Annual Shoot and meeting of the Pennsylvania State Sportsmen's Association reserved several pages of space for a short synopsis of our work. This is very much appreciated, and I hope that the following will be of interest.

The Game Commission since its creation in 1895 has been making rapid progress. When my predecessor, Dr. Kalbfus, took hold of the work in the fall of 1895 there was no appropriation of any kind for this department. He, however, untiringly carried on the work and with the aid of the Pennsylvania State Sportsmen and other organizations, as well as individuals, brought the work to its present prominence in the United States.

It is interesting to note that the first appropriation ever made to the Game Commission was in 1897 when an appropriation of $800.00 was made to pay the postage and express charges for the Commission for two years. The next session made a similar appropriation. In 1901 an appropriation of $3,000.00 was made, and from there on the appropriations increased to $97,400.00 in 1913.

The appropriation made in 1913 was the last appropriation made to the Board of Game Commissioners from general funds of the Commonwealth. Since June 1st, 1915, the Department has been operating exclusively on revenue collected through the Resident Hunter's Licenses. As a matter of comparison I believe it advisable to give the Resident Hunter's Licenses and Non-Resident Hunter's Licenses issued each year since 1913, which data is as follows:

Year	Resident	Non-Resident
1913	305,028	(No data collected
1914	298,972	462
1915	262,355	532
1916	290,422	662
1917	315,474	588
1918	311,290	478
1919	401,130	1,102

When outstanding accounts with several counties are straightened up the figures for 1919 may be altered slightly. The total net revenue collected last year per Resident Hunter's Licenses and penalties, taxidermist's licenses, etc., amounted to approximately $400,000 in round figures, or more than four times the largest amount that was ever appropriated to the Game Commission from general taxation for a period of two years.

The figures on the kill of game last year are astounding. The total estimated weight of the game killed was more than 3,600 tons.

This estimate does not include shore birds of various kinds nor blackbirds killed. In addition to the legal male deer, 119 male fawns and 207 doe deer were killed during the season, but when we take into consideration the fact that an army of about 75,000 riflemen were hunting deer during the season, many of whom had never hunted big game before, it is a wonder that more illegal deer were not killed.

Out of the large army of hunters in Pennsylvania last year we had but 35 men killed and 128 men wounded, which did not prove fatal. One man was killed in mistake for a deer, the first accident of this kind since 1914. I give below comparative figures for hunting accidents for the last five years as follows:

	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919
Fatal accident, ...	29	30	26	19	35
Non-fatal accidents,.	119	102	75	48	128

For your information I give a synopsis of the Financial Statement of this Department during the fiscal year beginning December 1st, 1918, and ending November 30, 1919, as follows:

Game Protection and Propagating Fund

Balance in the fund on December 1st, 1918, ..	$293,451.06
Deposited during fiscal year, ...	201,383.86
Total, ...	$494,844.92

Bounty Fund

Balance in the fund on December 1, 1918, ...	$265,779.84
Deposited during fiscal year, ...	186,909.06
Total, ...	$452,688.90

New Legislation.

The last session of the Legislature did not materially change the laws pertaining to our work except in a few instances. One important act gives the Game Commission authority to expend accumulated moneys from the Resident Hunter's License revenue for the purchase of suitable lands for Game Preserve purposes, not to exceed $100,000 to be expended during the first year and not to exceed $50,000 during any one year thereafter.

Another act of some importance is the new Auxiliary Game Preserve law which makes the creation of these sanctuaries more flexible.

Another act of importance is the new system for the payment of bounties so as to expedite the handling of that matter.

Other acts of lesser importance were: the one increasing the number of Game Protectors in Pennsylvania; changing a few of the small game seasons as desired by sportsmen; an act making a return of 25 per cent. of the penalty to persons who through mistake kill large game animals illegally; and the act requiring foreign-born residents to present naturalization papers when applying for Resident Hunter's Licenses.

Game Preserves

The game preserve system of Pennsylvania is undoubtedly the most practical of any system in use in the United States and has been very favorably commented upon by sportsmen from other States who have had an opportunity to look carefully into the work we are doing. We are endeavoring to establish at least ten new preserves this year. Approximately eight of these preserves are to be established on lands purchased from the sportsmen's money and the balance on lands now owned by the State. The 24 game preserves already created are all doing splendid work.

Our Preserve Keepers are all doing their best to distribute grape vines, apple trees, cherry trees, etc., found in their respective vicinities as much as possible over the tract under their control. To make shelter for game birds and animals as well as beautify the border of each of the preserves, we secured from the Forestry Department and planted conifers.

Field Organization.

Our field organization at this time consists of ten Traveling Game Protectors each in charge of from five to eight counties; sixty-four Game Protectors, a few of them with Assistants continually under pay; and twenty-four Game Preserve Keepers. At the present time we are looking forward to employing two expert trappers to circulate among our Preserve Keepers and assist them in destroying vermin, also to assist local sportsmen where we have an opportunity to do so in campaigns against vermin, especially wild cats, gray foxes and weasels.

Game Conditions

During the past winter the Department and the sportsmen of the State did more feeding than ever before, and the reports that have reached us this spring are very gratifying. Quail are reported fairly plentiful in almost every southern county, the total number of these birds fed running approximately 25,000. In the turkey sections of the State a splendid supply of these

birds were fed, some officers caring for twenty to forty separate bunches of birds ranging in numbers from two to ten or a dozen birds each. The game conditions generally are more favorable now than at any time during the last five years. The ruffed grouse in many sections are still rather scarce, but if the sportsmen will continue taking these birds in reasonable numbers as they did last year rather than to try and kill the legal limit, there is no reason why we should not have a goodly supply of ruffed grouse. The deer are increasing rapidly and we will probably have four thousand or more legal bucks killed this coming year.

Sentiment on Game Law Changes.

Since my appointment as Secretary to the Board on January I have been accepting as many invitations to address sportsmen's organizations as my time would permit. I have made an average of two addresses every week since that time, and have taken occasion to secure the sentiment of the sportsmen relative to changes in the law. I find that the sentiment generally throughout the State among the sportsmen is for a one month season for small game, especially game birds. A very great majority of the sportsmen want all small game for the month of November. In many cases the sportsmen feel that the bag limits should be reduced, especially on ruffed grouse, some recommending two per day, others three per day, while a few wish to retain the present daily bag limit. The sentiment generally is in favor of reducing the annual bag limit to about twelve to fifteen birds, and with the army of hunters we have today, with improved fire-arms, improved roads and automobiles, I believe it advisable to carefully consider some of the recommendations that the sportsmen have been making.

Respectfully,

SETH E. GORDON,
Secretary, Game Commission.

DAILY ENTRANCE

First Day, June 8th

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Optional Sweeps, percentage,	8.00
Optional Sweeps, high gun,	8.00
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Second Day, June 9th

Regular program, 160 targets,	$5.60
Lewis Class on program,	3.00
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Optional Sweeps, high guns,	8.00
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